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1. KOREAN AMBASSADOR YOON CALLED TO TELL ME OUTCOME OF VISIT BY PRESIDENT PARK'S "SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE" WHICH TOOK PLACE HERE AGUSUT 25. DURING CALL ON KING FAISAL, KOREANS TOOK UP: (A) PRESENCE OF UN TROOPS IN KOREA. ON THIS TOPIC THEY GAVE KING ROK POSITION STRONGLY FAVORING CONTINUANCE OF UN COMMAND. FAISAL SAID SAG WOULD SUPPORT GOK ON THIS ASPECT. (B) UNCURK--KOREANS TOLD FAISAL THEY WOULD ABIDE BY WHATEVER DECISION UNGA SAW FIT TO MAKE. KING MADE NO COMMENT. (C) KOREANS CONFIDENTIAL

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TOLD KING ROK HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO BEING ADMITTED INTO

UN TOGETHER WITH NORTH KOREA. KOREAN REP POINTED OUT THAT THIS MIGHT PROVE ONLY PATH BY WHICH SOUTH KOREA COULD BE ADMITTED. KING MADE NO COMMENT.

- 2. SINCE MEETING WITH FAISAL YOON HAS NOT TAKEN UP MATTER FURTHER WITH FONMINISTRY AND SAYS HE HAS NO INSTRUCTIONS TO DO SO.
- 3. YOON DID, HOWEVER, DISCUSS WITH ACTING FONMINISTER MAS'UD QUESTION OF KOREAN REPRESENTATION AT ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. HE WAS ASSURED SAUDIS WOULD OPPOSE NORTH KOREAN ADMISSION TO NON-ALIGNED GROUP OR ANY OTHER ACTIONS WHICH MIGHT TEND TO REFLECT BADLY ON SOUTH KOREA.
- 4. I INFORMED YOON THAT DCM HAD TAKEN UP KOREAN MEMBERSHIP QUESTION WITH FONMINISTRY'S ACTING CHIEF OF INTERANTIONAL AFFAIRS AMBASSADOR NURI IBRAHIM. LATTER (WHO WE EXPECT WILL ATTEND UNGA) STATED SAG WOULD, OF COURSE, WISH TO BE HEFPFUL TO SOUTH KOREA. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF HIS GOVT'S STRONGLY NEGATIVE POSITION TOWARD COMMUNIST REGIMES, IT SEEMED LIKELY SAUDI'S MIGHT ABSTAIN ON A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR ENTRY OF BOTH KOREAS. HE ADDED THIS MIGHT NOT BE CASE IF STRONG ARAB CONSENSUS DEVELOPED--WHICH SAG COULD JOIN--THAT URGED ARABS TO SUPPORT UN ENTRY OF BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREAS.
- 5. AT CLOSE OF DISCUSSION I TOLD YOON WE WOULD CONTINUE PURSUE MATTER WITH FONMINISTRY. SUGGESTED THAT HE MIGHT WISH SEEK FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS OWN GOVT. THACHER UNQUOTE RUSH

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